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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO CERTIFY AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Pursuant to section 15087, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, this is to advise that the California State Lands Commission (CSLC) has completed a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the proposed Project described below:

Project Title: AT&T Asia America Gateway Fiber Optic Cable Project

Project Location:

AT&T is proposing to install a fiber optic cable from Hawaii to an existing landing facility at Montaña de Oro State Park near Morro Bay. The project is divided into three segments: terrestrial, shore-end and marine.

The terrestrial segment consists of an existing conduit and manhole system extending from the "beach manhole" at the Montaña de Oro State Park Sandspit Beach parking lot inland a distance of approximately 10.5 miles to the AT&T 03 cable station. Once this conduit system exits the Montaña de Oro State Park, it exists entirely within private AT&T easements with the exception of two road crossings (Pecho Valley Road and Clark's Gap Road). This terrestrial route is commonly referred to as the "ridge" conduit system.

The shore-end segment includes an existing "beach manhole" and one existing five-inch drill pipe extending from the "beach manhole" at the Montaña de Oro State Park Sandspit Beach parking lot seaward a distance of approximately 2,200 feet from the mean high tide. From there, the cable would extend through the tidal zone, to a point where the water depth reaches approximately 98 feet.

The marine segment begins at the 98-foot water depth and consists of one submarine cable placed along a predetermined route to its destinations in Hawaii, Guam and Asia.

This project description does not consider the project beyond the 1,000 fathom (6,000 foot depth), which occurs approximately 50 miles offshore.

Project:

AT&T is proposing to install one fiber optic cable from Hawaii to California Description: as part of a larger cable system originating in Asia. The proposed fiber optic cable would land at AT&T's existing landing facility at Montaña de Oro State Park near Morro Bay, California. The cable would be connected to the AT&T cable station located near San Luis Obispo, California, via an existing terrestrial cable conduit system. The marine cable would be installed using a combination of plowing and direct bottom lay along a pre-determined course. The proposed cable would provide a link between the west coast of the United States (U.S.), Guam, Hawaii, and Southeast Asia.

An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) identified as EIR No. 745, State Clearinghouse No. 2007111029, has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. On December 3, 2008, the Draft EIR was released for public review and comment, and on February 19, 2009, the Final EIR was released.

Copies of the Draft EIR and Final EIR may be viewed electronically, in Word or Acrobat format, on the CSLC internet website at http://www.slc.ca.gov. Copies of the documents are also available for review at the following locations:

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Los Osos Library Los Osos, CA 93402 Phone: (805) 528-1862

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Potential Significant Impacts on the Environment:

The DEIR discusses the potential for significant impacts on the environment in the following subject areas: Aesthetics/Visual Resources; Air Quality; Biological Resources; Commercial and Recreational Fishing; Cultural Resources, Geology, Soils, Faults, and Mineral Resources; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use and Recreation; Marine Transportation; Noise; System Safety/Risk of Upset; Transportation/Circulation.

Commission Meeting:

The EIR will be considered for certification at a teleconference meeting of the California State Lands Commission scheduled for March 2, 2009, beginning at 10:00 AM in the following locations:

Lt. Governor's Office	Office of State Controller	California State Lands	Department of Finance
State Capitol, Room 1114	John Chiang	Commission	State Capitol, Room 1145
Sacramento, CA 95814	777 S. Figueroa Street,	100 Howe Avenue,	Sacramento, CA 95814
	Suite 4800	Suite 100-South	
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Persons wishing to appear at the meeting should call (916) 574-1923 to ensure time is reserved for such appearance.

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